

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1.(Original) A medicine supply apparatus comprising:
 - a tablet case having an opening;
 - a discharge mechanism for dropping a medicine in said tablet case through said opening so as to be discharged;
 - a drive mechanism for driving said discharge mechanism; and
 - a filling member for receiving the medicine discharged by said discharge mechanism,
 - wherein said opening of the tablet case is closed by a detachable cover member to enable sealing the inside of said tablet case.
2. (Original) A medicine supply apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said discharge mechanism is provided in said tablet case, and said drive mechanism drives said discharge mechanism in the state where said tablet case is detachably mounted on a mounting portion.
3. (Original) A medicine supply apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said discharge mechanism is detachably attached in said tablet case.
4. (Original) A tablet case comprising:
 - a medicine containing portion having an opening and containing medicines;
 - a discharge mechanism provided in said medicine containing portion for dropping the medicine in said medicine containing portion through said opening so as to be discharged; and

a detachable cover member closing said opening of the medicine containing portion to seal the inside of said medicine containing portion.

5. (Original) A tablet case according to claim 4, wherein said discharge mechanism is detachably attached in said medicine containing portion.

6. (Original) A medicine container in which a container body containing medicines has an opening that is closed and sealed by a detachable cover member, wherein a discharge mechanism for dropping the medicine contained in said container body through said opening so as to be discharged, can be detachably attached in said container body.

7. (Original) A medicine container according to claim 6, wherein said opening of the container body can be closed by said cover member in the state where said discharge mechanism is attached.

8. (Currently amended) A medicine supply apparatus using the medicine container according to claim 6 or 7, comprising:

 a mounting portion where said container body with said discharge mechanism being attached is detachably mounted;

 a drive mechanism for driving said discharge mechanism in the state where said container body is mounted on said mounting portion; and

 a filling member for receiving the medicine discharged by said discharge mechanism.

9. (New) A medicine supply apparatus using the medicine container according to claim 7, comprising:

 a mounting portion where said container body with said discharge mechanism being attached is detachably mounted;

 a drive mechanism for driving said discharge mechanism in the state where said container body is mounted on said mounting portion; and

 a filling member for receiving the medicine the medicine discharged by said discharge mechanism.